

Making Cities Work

Capital: Beirut

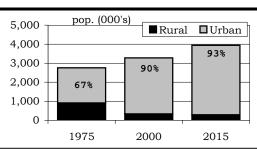
(2000)Largest City: Beirut 2,070,000



#### **Urban Profile**

### Urban **Population**

2,945,000 lived in urban areas in 2000.



Annual Growth Rates (2000-2015) 1.4% Urban

-1.0%

Rural

City Sizes # of cities 10 million 0 5-9.99 m 2.5 - 4.99 m 0 .75-2.49 m 1

## **Migration Trends**

Through the 1980s, the primary impetus of rural-urban migration was violence in the rural areas and employment opportunities in Beirut. In 1987, one-third of the country had migrated internally since 1975. Migration into Beirut has caused significant conflict between neighborhoods and religious ethnicity groups. As a result of these conflicts, population estimates show a - 0.7% decline in the Beirut Governate population from 1970 to 1997.

Poor

Non-poor

#### **Urban Poverty**

Economy &

**Employment** 

824,600 urban dwellers were below the poverty level.

Rural/urban poverty data are not available.

POVERTY IN LEBANON

GDP (1999)	Employment (1990)
15%	45%
33%	25%
52%	31%
	(1999) 15% 33%

#### NATIONAL POVERTY



#### Income Inequality

(wealthiest 20% divided by poorest 20%) Nation

### UNEMPLOYMENT

National 18.0% 7.7% Beirut

#### UNEMPLOYMENT.

Unemployment and underemployment are believed to exceed 25%.

(UNCHS - HABITAT, 1998)

#### Decentralization

Sample Urban Area: Sin El Fil

Able to set none of local tax levels Able to set none of user charges Able to borrow some

of funds

Able to choose Funds transfer

all contractors for projects is not known in advance

Rural Urban

Central government cannot remove local govt. officials

# Infrastructure

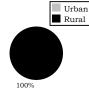
**Basic Services** 

urban dwellers lack water supply. No one lives in urban and rural areas without water supply.

Population without Water Supply in 2000

	(000's)	% of rel. pop
Urban	0	0%
Rural	0	0%
Total	0	0%

urban dwellers lack sanitation coverage.



0% of people without sanitation coverage live in urban areas.

Pop. without Sanitation Coverage in 2000

	(000's)	% of rel. pop
Urban	0	0%
Rural	44	13%
Total	44	1%

Rural

### Health

First and Second Quintile of Income Distribution	Poorest	Poorest	Poor	Poor	Average
Under 5 yrs-old. mortality rate (per 1,000 births, 1998)	*	*	*	*	*
Children severely underweight (under 3 yrsold)	*	*	*	*	*

Urban

Crime

Secondary source data are not available.

National